

## LOG OF MEETING

### DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

**SUBJECT:** American Association of Textile Chemists & Colorists  
(AATCC) Spring Committee Meetings

**DATE OF MEETING:** May 2, 2000

**DATE OF LOG ENTRY:** May 16, 2000

**SOURCE OF LOG ENTRY:** Allyson Tenney, ESME

**LOCATION:** Marriott Inner Harbor Hotel  
Baltimore, Maryland

**CPSC ATTENDEES:** Allyson Tenney, ESME

**NON-CPSC ATTENDEES:** AATCC members and interested parties

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

During the AATCC Spring Committee Meetings, the Committee on Home Laundering Technology discussed the standardization of home laundry test conditions for both washing machines and clothes dryers. The characteristics of horizontal axis machines were described. Several issues regarding test repeatability were discussed, including the difficulty in correlating machines in countries using different voltages. In relation to dryers, the issue of the tremendous temperature variability was addressed. Standard detergents were also introduced as a topic for discussion. The possibility of developing a standard liquid detergent was proposed since it would correspond more closely with the current detergent typically used by consumers. Other committees discussed the general correlation of laboratory tests with end use performance. During a special session on wet processing, Laccase, an enzyme alternative for denim processing, was explained in full detail.

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